

## District Conference Rocks!!!!!!

Glowing reviews were flowing freely at the conclusion of the Rotary District 7450 Conference Saturday evening (November 12). Based on this onsite feedback from numerous attendees at this most recent conference, this two day Rotary happening was a tremendous success.



This District 7450 conference truly had something for everybody. On Friday, November 11, there were presentations showcasing the impacts of a number of projects by our local Rotary clubs across the world. There were musical interludes and a Rotaract directed speed networking event. And appropriately enough for Veteran's Day, there also was a very moving Veterans Memorial tribute.

Saturday's presentations kept the ball rolling with two powerful morning presentations, one on establishing solar power in Gambia and another by a precocious eight year old regarding the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.

There were breakout sessions on the New Generations of Rotarians, our Rotary youth exchange programs, the Rotary Foundation grant process, how to make service projects more successful, taking full advantage of social media, fellowship and friendship exchanges and Rotary action groups.



*Hogie Hansen, Ann Lee Hussey, John Steele*

The luncheon speakers on Saturday were awesome: Channel 6 Newsperson Karen Rogers, a former Rotary Ambassador Scholar: Lieutenant D F Pace, our most recent Peace Fellow: and Rotary International President's representative Ann Lee Hussey each delivered captivating speeches.



Following Saturday evening's dinner, recently retired Unionville superintendent of schools Sharon Parker presented a remarkable keynote address, filled with humor but also with deep messages.

Terrific food and a beautiful venue (The Desmond Hotel in Malvern), the 2011 Rotary 7450 District Conference had it all... great Rotary fellowship, terrific presentations, insights, perspectives, and laughter. If you were there, you had to experience it. And if you were not able to attend, you really missed something very special.



*Lieutenant D F Pace and Jeffry Cadorette*

Congratulations to District Governor Bonnie Korengel and her conference team for hitting a tape measure home run with this one.